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Howard Herman Named Acting General Manager of Community Services in City of Falls Church

FALLS CHURCH, VA. – City Manager Wyatt Shields today announced the appointment of Howard Herman as Acting General Manager of Community Services in the City of Falls Church. As Acting General Manager, Herman will supervise the Court Services, Housing and Human Services, and Library divisions while continuing to serve as Director of Recreation & Parks. He fills the position following the appointment of former General Manager of Community Services Cindy Mester to Assistant City Manager. Herman previously served as Acting General Manager of Community Services from 2004-2005.

“Howard is a widely recognized leader in the City, and we are fortunate to have him in position to take on the additional responsibilities as Acting General Manager of Community Services. There are a number of challenging and exciting initiatives in motion in this Department and he will do a great job in helping move them forward,” says Shields.

Herman joined the Recreation & Parks Division in 1970, and began serving as director of the division in 1990. During his tenure as Director of Recreation & Parks, he has implemented key improvement projects including the installation of synthetic turf at the George Mason High School field in 2006; the addition of the City’s 12th park (Hamlett/Rees Tract) in 2006; the completion of master plans for the City’s 12 parks by the end of fiscal year 2007; the renovation of Larry Graves Park in 1999; and the construction of an addition and renovations to the City’s Community Center—a project that earned the Virginia Recreation & Park Society award for Best Renovation and Addition to an Existing Facility in 2000.

“I’m looking forward to working with the various divisions within the Department of Community Services. It’s a group of hard working and dedicated individuals and it will be exciting to work closely with them,” says Herman.

Herman is a Certified Parks & Recreation Professional and is a member of the Virginia Recreation & Park Society and the National Recreation and Park Association.

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Note: A photo of Howard Herman is attached. Photo Courtesy: City of Falls Church.

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